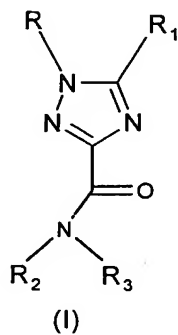


**Abstract**

5 The present invention relates to a group of 1H-1,2,4-triazole-3-carboxamide derivatives, to methods for the preparation of these compounds, and to pharmaceutical compositions containing at least one of these compounds as an active ingredient.

10 These 1H-1,2,4-triazole-3-carboxamide derivatives are potent cannabinoid-CB<sub>1</sub> receptor agonists, partial agonists, inverse agonists or antagonists, useful for the treatment of disorders involving cannabinoid neurotransmission.

The compounds have the general formula (I)



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wherein R and R<sub>1</sub>-R<sub>3</sub> have the meanings given in the specification.